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Internship Program Department,  
1777 F Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Council on Foreign Relations,

Please consider my application for the Blavatnik and Robina Franklin Williams Internship Program advertised on Google Jobs in June 2022. I will graduate from the University of British Columbia in December 2022 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History. A family friend, Jeffrey Riddle, who formerly worked at the US Foreign Office, recommended I apply for the program.

During my studies, I have been particularly interested in global foreign relations in the Cold War period and have taken every opportunity to learn more about the history of the Cold War. I believe my speciality in the history of modern foreign relations will be an asset to your internship program. Furthermore, as you will see in my enclosed resume, I have developed excellent leadership and teamwork skills from my experience as a Bar Supervisor in a London pub. In August 2022, I will have completed a four-month intensive writing course, which has taught me valuable proofreading and editing skills as well as my research and writing skills. Due to my intensive writing course, I am proficient in writing research proposals, reports, memos and blog posts.

I grew up very international, my father is British, and my mother is Jamaican. During my lifetime, I have lived in London, Amsterdam, Toronto, Kingston, Montego Bay, Abu Dhabi and Vancouver, and I attended international schools. I believe my international background will be of further benefit in your internship program as I have an exceptional understanding of different cultures and beliefs.

I have dedicated the past four years to developing my research and writing skills, and your internship program is the perfect opportunity for me to practice and hone these skills further.

If you feel my experience meets your needs, please feel free to phone me any weekday after 2 pm at 604-715-9247 or email me at matildamurray1@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Matilda Murray

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matilda Murray". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.